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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PEPR, CB
SUBJECT: FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATIONS DENIED ACCESS TO KAMPUCHEA

1. NBC ASIA RADIO CORRESPONDENT MIKE CHINOY TOLD CONGENOFF
AUGUST 4 THAT IN THE PAST MONTH SEVERAL FOREIGN KAMPUCHEAN
FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION GROUPS HAVE HAD THEIR VISIT TO
KAMPUCHEA CANCELLED AT THE LAST MINUTE. IN EACH CASE,
THE GROUP HAD ARRIVED IN PEKING EXPECTING TO GO ON TO
KAMPUCHEA, ONLY TO BE TOLD THAT THE VISIT HAD BEEN CALLED
OFF. THE REASON GIVEN HAS BEEN THAT THE CURRENT MILITARY
SITUATION IN KAMPUCHEA MAKES IT UNSAFE.

2. ALL THE VISITS WERE ARRANGED SEVERAL MONTHS IN ADVANCE,
AND, BEING "FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATIONS" WERE IN THE CATEGORY
MOST ABLE TO BE RELIED ON BY THE KAMPUCHEAN AUTHORITIES
TO GIVE AN ACCEPTABLE ACCOUNT TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD.
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FROM HIS CONTACTS, WHO WERE MEMBERS OF THESE GROUPS,
CHINOY GAINED THE IMPRESSION THAT THE REASON FOR THE
CANCELLATION WAS MORE THAN THE MILITARY SITUATION AS
SUCH, BUT RATHER THE GENERAL POLITICO-MILITARY SITUATION,
INCLUDING A KIND OF POLITICAL INSTABILITY WHICH
COULD BE THE FORERUNNER OF A CHANGE IN REGIME.

3. THE ABOVE WAS BROADCAST ON NBC RADIO ON AUGUST 2
AS PART OF A SERIES CHINOY PRPEARED ON KAMPUCHEA.
ALTHOUGH OVER THE PAST WEEKEND A DANISH-KAMPUCHEAN
FRIENDSHIP GROUP REPORTEDLY MET WITH POL POT, THIS
INFORMATION SEEMS OF SUFFICIENT INTEREST TO CALL TO THE
ATTENTION OF THE DEPARTMENT AND ADDRESSEE POSTS.
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